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In re Patent Application of

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For: SENSOR-EQUIPED AND

ALGORITHM CONTROLLED

DIRECT MECHANICAL

VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICE

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Group Art Unit: 3766

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated September 13, 2006, in the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time (two-month) is submitted herewith. Please amend the application as follows: